

Codelgniter Global XSS Filtering Bypass Vulnerability

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Product : <u>CodeIgniter</u> < http://www.codeigniter.com>

Product Description : Open-source PHP Framework

Pen-Tested Version : 1.5.2

Vulnerability : User-Agent injection

Risk : Medium

Threat : XSS, Log File Tampering

Description:

\$CI->input->user_agent() fails to check the validity of user-agent type.

It simply extracts from \$_SERVER array without checking whether it is bad string injection or not. In this case, we can spoof user agent string of our browser with our arbitrary commands that can bypass stronger CodeIgniter Security class even if \$config['global_xss_filtering'] = TRUE;. Thus we can execute XSS on the fly.

Proof-Of-Vulnerability:



My Blog Heading

Your browser is: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows, U; Windows NT 5.1; en-US; rv.1.8.0.7)

echo 'Your browser is : '.\$this->input->user_agent();



My Blog Heading

Your browser is : Owned by d0ubl3 h3lix